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11. (Unclassified - JGO) After first talking with Mr. Bernard Martin, Legislative Referral Division, BOB, I met with him in his office and provided a clean copy of our proposed bill which incorporates the several technical changes agreed upon with Mr. M. Convisser of the International Division, BOB. I also provided, for his reference, annotated copies of the Civil Service Commission and Department of Defense comments on the proposed bill. Mr. Martin indicated that with this material in hand, he was hopeful of clearing our bill by the end of the week. ✓

12. (Confidential - JGO) Met with Mr. Robert Michaels, House Appropriations Committee staff, who advised that only the barest possibility for meeting with the CIA Subcommittee of Appropriations exists at this time prior to the return of Congress from the Easter recess. He will, however, discuss the matter further with the Chairman.

13. (Confidential - JGO) Met with Mr. J.R. Blandford, Chief Counsel, House Armed Services Committee, who advised that the Chairman's schedule is such that it does not appear that a meeting with the CIA Subcommittee will be scheduled before the return of the Congress on 18 April from Easter recess.

In conversation with Mr. Blandford, it was learned that in an address by him at the Brookings Institution program for government plans and policies which was attended by fairly senior representatives of some 20 or so major American corporations, the topic of the Agency, its control by the National Security Counsel and the President, etc., came into the discussion and he felt that he was able to present the proposition in somewhat more appropriate terms of reference than have been noted in the recent past in other forms.

14. (Confidential - JGO) Met with Mr. William A. Irvine, House Post Office and Civil Service Committee, who noted that in the discussion on the floor, there were no dissenting voices raised against the Federal Salary and Fringe Benefits Act of 1966. The bill, in effect, was passed this afternoon but due to a pre-existing rule of the House, all roll call votes arising on Monday or Tuesday of this week are delayed until Wednesday.